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Amendments to the Claims:

 (Currently amended) A fastener having fixing means attached thereto and tape to be secured to a securement subject, wherein an identification medium <u>as a radio IC chip</u> is attached at a position of the tape to be covered with the securement subject.

 (Currently amended) The fastener according to claim 1, wherein the identification medium is a radio IC chip, and an antenna or a signal line connected to the radio IC chip are attached to the fastener.

3-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently amended) A slide fastener having a fastener tape to be secured to a securement subject, wherein the end stop of the slide fastener is provided with a hole portion in which the identification medium as a radio IC chip can be detachably incorporated, and the radio IC chip is attached to the hole portion detachably, an identification medium is attached to an end stop of the slide fastener.

21-27. (Caneelled)

(Currently amended) A slide fastener having a fastener tape to be secured to a
securement subject, wherein an identification medium <u>as a radio IC chip</u> is attached to a
slider detachably.

29-31. (Cancelled)

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 (Currently amended) A fastener having fixing means attached thereto and a tape to be secured to a securement subject, the fastener including:

an identification medium which is a radio IC chip; and

a power source battery and an antenna to be connected to the radio IC chip[[.]], and

the fastener has the fastener tapes which make a pair of right and left ones for

opening/closing in the right/left direction, and the separable bottom end stop,

the radio IC chip is attached to one tape while the power source battery of the radio IC chip is attached to the other tape, and

emp is attached to the other tape, and

a switch for connecting/disconnecting the radio IC chip and the power source battery

by engagement/disengagement operations of the separable bottom end stop.

 (Previously presented) The fastener according to claim 32, wherein the radio IC chip and/or the power source battery are/is attached to the tape detachably.

34-37. (Cancelled)

- 38. (Previously presented) A surface fastener having engaging faces capable of engaging with/disengaging from each other in an opposing condition, wherein an identification medium is disposed between the engaging faces and covered.
- 39. (Previously presented) The surface fastener according to claim 38, wherein the identification medium is a radio IC chip, and the surface fastener for covering the radio IC chip has a shielding material for shielding communication with the radio IC chip.

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 (Currently amended) A securement subject on which a fastener having an identification medium attached thereto is secured.

wherein the identification medium is a radio IC chip,

the securement subject having an antenna or a signal line electrically connected with the radio IC chip[[,]], and

a conductive material or an electrically conductive fiber material is disposed in the tape of the fastener,

various kinds of sensors are attached on the securement subject, and
the various kinds of sensors and the antenna or the signal line are electrically
connected to the radio IC chip via the electrically conductive material or the electrically
conductive fiber material disposed in the tape.

41-53. (Cancelled)